

Arizona Juvenile Justice Commission Grants Committee

Governor's Office of Youth, Faith and Family

1700 West Washington Street, Suite 230, PHOENIX, ARIZONA 85007
A meeting of the Grants Committee was convened August 31, 2018, at the Governor's Office of Youth, Faith and

Family, 1700 West Washington St. Suite 230, Phoenix, Arizona 85007, notice having been duly given.

Members Present (3)	
Dorothy (Dottie) Wodraska, Chair	Mindy Flannery
Robert Thomas	
Staff/Guests Present (2)	Members Absent (1)
Steve Selover, GOYFF	Debra Olson
Cindi Nannetti	

Call to Order

• **Ms. Dottie Wodraska**, Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m. with three members and one staff present.

Introductions

Ms. Wodraska, Chair, asked members and staff to introduce themselves.

2018 Title II RFGA

Timeline

 Mr. Steve Selover provided committee members with a copy of the 2018 Title II RFGA timeline and described the upcoming timeline events.

2018 Submissions

• **Mr. Selover** advised that the RFGA is open until 5:00 p.m. local time and added that it is expected several applications will be submitted right up to the deadline.

Evaluation Team

• **Mr. Selover** provided the names of the review team, which includes commission member Alice Bustillo and former Governor's Office employee Christina Alonzo.

Approval Process

Mr. Selover advised the review team will recommend which proposals to fund based on the
evaluation scores. These recommended proposals will be brought before the Grants Committee for
a vote to approve.

Monitoring Role

Mr. Selover suggested that the Grants Committee should serve as a support to the monitoring role
on behalf of the commission. Mr. Selover advised that this would include updates from the funded

- sub-grantees' progress, presentations by the sub-grantees to provide an overview of their project(s), and a discussion of challenges that emerge throughout the grant cycle.
- Committee members agreed this would be a worthwhile function of the Grants Committee, in addition to the oversight on funding solicitations.
- Ms. Wodraska, Chair, stated she would prefer the committee develop a mission statement.
- Ms. Wodraska, Chair, asked whether funding could be reallocated based on underperformance by a sub-grantee. Mr. Selover advised that funding could be withheld to a sub-grantee due to chronic non-compliance and/or underperformance, and these decisions are typically made on a case by case basis.
- Dr. Robert Thomas suggested that sub-grantees are often more sustainable if they utilize their own funding for their proposed project, and asked whether this is something that could be required.
 Mr. Selover advised that the 2018 RFGA included a stipulation that encourages applicants to include match, but it is not a requirement for funding.

Children's Justice Grant

2018 Funded Programs

- Mr. Selover provided an overview of the currently funded Children's Justice Act funded subgrantees with funding amounts and descriptions for each program.
- Ms. Wodraska, Chair, asked whether the training sessions offered were accredited so that they
 could be counted toward required training hours for law enforcement and other professionals. Ms.
 Cindi Nannetti confirmed that they do, and noted that the Arizona Peace Officers Standards and
 Training (AzPOST) board approved the Children's Justice Training eligible to provide AzPOST
 credit for law enforcement attendance.
- Ms. Wodraska, Chair, asked whether the training provided by the grant is evaluated. Ms. Nannetti stated that a two-page questionnaire is provided to training participants that addresses training strengths and weaknesses. This information is reviewed by the training team, which may determine the need for additional training on a certain topic, the modification of training, or even the elimination of a training that is no longer relevant or needed.
- Mr. Selover stated that, similar to Title II oversight, the committee will serve as the sub-grantee
 monitoring arm of the commission over the Children's Justice Act funded programs. Mr. Selover
 noted these programs are currently in Year 2 of funding, and they provide updates similar to Title II
 that will indicate performance during the grant cycle.
- **Dr. Thomas** reiterated his preference for this committee to serve as a technical assistance provider for Title II and CJA funded programs that may have challenges during the funding cycle. Committee members agreed the Grants Committee should fulfil this role.

Next Meeting Date

Mr. Selover stated that, based on the responses received, the special session of the Grants
Committee will be held September 27 to vote on the recommended proposals. The time of the
meeting will be announced following later in the day.

Call to the Public

No comment was delivered by the public.

Adjourn

- Ms. Wodraska, Chair, requested a motion to adjourn.
 - o **Dr. Thomas** made a motion to adjourn.

- o Ms. Mindy Flannery seconded the motion.
- The motion to adjourn passed with no dissenting votes.

Dated August 31, 2018
AJJC Grants Committee
Submitted by Steve Selover. GOYFF Program Administrator

